

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-3 (cancelled)

Claim 4 (currently amended): The assembly of claim 3 39 wherein the tray includes a bottom wall that acts as a back reflector for the panel member.

Claim 5 (currently amended): The assembly of claim 4 39 further comprising a film overlying at least a portion of one side of the panel member to change the light emitted from the panel member in a predetermined manner.

Claim 6 (cancelled)

Claim 7 (currently amended): The assembly of claim 4 39 wherein at least some light from the light source travels from at least one of the parts or components to another of the parts or components.

Claim 8 (cancelled)

Claim 9 (currently amended): The assembly of claim 4 39 wherein the light source comprises two or more light emitting diodes.

Claims 10-15 (cancelled)

Claim 16 (currently amended): The assembly of claim ~~45~~ 40 wherein at least two of the inserts, components or parts are shaped to mate with one another.

Claim 17 (original): The assembly of claim 16 further comprising a reflector between at least one mating surface between two of the inserts, components or parts.

Claim 18 (currently amended): The assembly of claim ~~45~~ 40 further comprising at least one film or substrate in close proximity to at least one side of the panel member to change the light emitted from the panel member in a predetermined manner.

Claim 19 (original): The assembly of claim 18 wherein the film or substrate has deformities on or in at least one surface of the film or substrate.

Claim 20 (original): The assembly of claim 19 wherein the deformities on or in the film or substrate have prismatic or lenticular surfaces.

Claim 21 (currently amended): The assembly of claim ~~45~~ 40 wherein at least one single piece of film or substrate overlies two or more inserts, components or parts of the panel member.

Clam 22 (cancelled)

Claim 23 (currently amended): The assembly of claim 22 40 wherein the tray includes a bottom wall that acts as a reflector for the panel member.

Claim 24 (currently amended): The assembly of claim 15 40 wherein at least some light travels from at least one of the inserts, components or parts to another of the inserts, components or parts.

Claims 25-27 (cancelled)

Claim 28 (currently amended): The assembly of claim 15 40 wherein the structural member acts as a reflector for one or more of the inserts, components or parts.

Claim 29 (cancelled)

Claim 30 (currently amended): The assembly of claim 15 40 wherein one of the inserts, components or parts comprises a light transition area, and the light source comprises one or more light emitting diodes for supplying light to the light transition area.

Claim 31 (original): The assembly of claim 30 wherein the light emitting diodes are multicolored light emitting diodes that provide different colored light that is mixed in the light transition area to produce a desired colored light output distribution from the light emitting surface.

Claims 32-34 (cancelled)

Claim 35 (currently amended): The assembly of claim ~~45~~ 40 wherein at least one of the inserts, components or parts has a recess in which an other insert, component or part is received.

Claim 36 (previously presented): The assembly of claim 35 wherein the other insert, component or part is a light transition area.

Claim 37 (previously presented): The assembly of claim 36 wherein the light source is contained within the light transition area.

Claim 38 (previously presented): The assembly of claim 37 wherein the light source comprises one or more light emitting diodes.

Claim 39 (new – allowable claim 3 rewritten): A light emitting panel assembly comprising a transparent light emitting panel member for receiving light from a light source and conducting the light along a length of the panel member, the panel member having two or more separate parts or modular components, a pattern of light extracting deformities on or in one or more of the parts or components for providing a desired light output distribution from the panel member, and a structural member for supporting the parts or modular components, the structural member comprising a tray for receipt of the parts or modular components.

Claim 40 (new – allowable claim 22 rewritten): A light emitting panel assembly comprising a transparent light emitting panel member for receiving light from a light source and conducting the light along the length of the panel member, the panel member being formed of two or more inserts, components or parts, a pattern of light extracting deformities on or in one or more of the inserts, components or parts for providing a desired light output distribution, and a structural member for holding, positioning or supporting the inserts, components or parts, the structural member comprising a tray for holding, positioning or supporting the inserts, components or parts.